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FM AMEMBASSY KAMPALA

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INFO AMEMBASSY BUJUMBURA

AMEMBASSY CONAKRY

AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

AMEMBASSY KIGALI

AMEMBASSY LONDON

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AMEMBASSY YAOUNDE

C O N F I D E N T I A L KAMPALA 2597

E.O. 11602: GDS

TAGS: BY SO UG PFOR

SUBJECT: PRES. MICOMBERO IN UGANDA FOR OFFICIAL VISIT;  
ARRIVAL OF SOMALI VICE PRESIDENT STILL IN DOUBT

REF: KAMPALA 2585 (NOTAL)

1. UGANDA IS IN MIDST OF WITNESSING ANOTHER GENERAL AMIN  
EXTRAVAGANZA. MOOD IS FESTIVE, THERE IS ENTERTAINMENT GALORE, AND  
NO EXPENSE IS BEING SPARED. THUS FAR, HOWEVER, IT IS DIFFICULT  
TO TELL WHETHER ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN A PURELY CEREMONIAL ONE IS  
BEING SERVED.

2. PRESIDENT MICOMBERO IS IN UGANDA FOR AN OFFICIAL VISIT AN-  
NOUNCED PRIOR DAY. HE ARRIVED AUGUST 19 AT ENTEBBE AMIDST CON-  
SIDERABLE POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE, ALBEIT FIVE HOURS LATE.  
(GENERAL AMIN HIMSELF RETURNED UNANNOUNCED FROM  
GABON PRIOR EVENING, HAVING MADE SHORT STOPOVER IN EQUATORIAL  
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GUINEA.) SOMALI VICE PRESIDENT ABOKOR, WHO ALSO WAS EXPECTED IN

ENTEBBE, DID NOT SHOW UP FOR REASONS NOT KNOWN. ACCORDING  
ACTING FONMIN ETIANG, ABOKOR'S LATEST ETA IS AFTERNOON OF AUG  
20.

3. GENERAL AMIN, PRES. MOCOMBERO AND STOKELY CARMICHAEL (WHO IS  
BACK IN TOWN WITH MIRIAM MAKEBA TO COMMEMORATE AFRICA WEEK)  
DELIVERED PUBLIC ADDRESSES ON AUGUST 20 IN KAMPALA CITY SQUARE.  
MICOMBERO IS TO GIVE ADDRESS AT MAKERERE UNIVERSITY EVENING  
AUG. 20 (SEPTTEL WILL FOLLOW ON SPEECHES). LATER IN DAY SCENE IS  
DUE TO SHIFT TO MBALE, WHERE ALL DIGNITARIES WILL BE FLOWN.  
PRESIDENT MICOMBERO HAS CANCELLED SCHEDULED VISIT TO A GAME PARK  
ON AUG. 21 AND APPARENTLY WILL RETURN TO BURUNDI THAT MORNING,  
CUTTING SHORT HIS VISIT HERE BY 4 HOURS.

3. MORE WILL FOLLOW AS INFO BECOMES AVAILABLE.  
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